IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR

TUESDAY, THE 24TH JULY 2007 / 2ND SRAVANA 1929

WP(C).No. 21752 of 2007(M)

PETITIONER:

M/S. MALAYALAM CHEMICALS PVT. LTD.,
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AREA, P.O. BINANIPURAM,
EDAYAR, ALUVA,REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR
SRI.VELLAISWAMY.

BY ADV. SRI.J.JULIAN XAVIER
SRI.FIROZ K.ROBIN

RESPONDENTS:

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1. KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD,
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,VYDHYUTHI BHAVAN,
PATTOM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER, APTS,
KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD,VYDHYUTHI BHAVAN,
PATTOM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

3. SPECIAL OFFICER (REVENUE),
KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD,VYDHYUTHI BHAVAN,
PATTOM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

4. ASST. ENGINEER,
ELECTRICAL SECTION, EDAYAR.

BY ADV. SRI.P.P.THAJUDEEN, SC

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 24/07/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR, J.

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Dated this the 24th day of July, 2007.

JUDGMENT

The only prayer is for direction to the second respondent to hear the petitioner and dispose of the appeal filed by the petitioner against disputed electricity bill issued by the third respondent. Standing Counsel for KSEB doubted whether the bill issued by the Special Officer can be subject matter of appeal before the Deputy Chief Engineer. So far as Section 127 of the Electricity Act provides for appeal against disputed electricity bill, there should be somebody hearing appeal against disputed bill issued by the Special Officer. In the circumstances, if the second respondent is the concerned authority, he will hear the petitioner and dispose of the appeal within two months from date of production of copy of this judgment by the petitioner. If second respondent is not the concerned authority, he will transfer the appeal to the concerned authority who will follow the above direction as if it is issued against such authority.

W.P. is disposed of as above.

C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR
Judge

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